

Community Pathways Waiver – Revised Draft Proposal

Service Type: Other Service

Service (Name):

Alternative Service Title: **INDIVIDUAL DIRECTED GOODS AND SERVICES**

HCBS Taxonomy:

Check as applicable

☐ Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

☒ Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

☐ Service is not included in the approved waiver.

Service Definition:

- A. Individual Directed Goods and Services are services, equipment, or supplies for participants that self-direct services that:
 - 1. Relate to a need or goal identified in the person centered plan;
 - 2. Increase independence;
 - 3. Promote opportunities for community living and inclusion; and
 - 4. Not available under a waiver service or State Plan services.
- B. Individual Directed Goods and Services decrease the need for Medicaid services, increase community integration, or increase the participant's safety in the home.

SERVICE REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Individual Directed Goods and Services must meet the following requirements:
 - 1. the item or service would decrease the need for other Medicaid services; AND/OR
 - 2. promote inclusion in the community; AND/OR
 - 3. increase the participant's safety in the home environment; AND
 - 4. the participant does not have the funds to purchase the item or service or the item or service is not available through another source.
- B. Individual Directed Goods and Services are purchased from the participant-directed budget and must be documented in the person centered plan.
- C. The goods and services that are purchased under this coverage must be clearly noted and linked to an assessed participant need established in the person centered plan.
- D. The goods and services may include but not limited to: fitness memberships; fitness items that can be purchased at most retail stores; toothbrushes or electric toothbrushes; weight loss program services other than food; dental services recommended by a licensed dentist and not covered by health insurance; nutritional supplements recommended by a professional licensed in the relevant field; and fees for activities that promote community integration.
- E. Experimental or prohibited goods and treatments are excluded.
- F. The goods and services must fit within the participant's budget without compromising the participant's health and safety.
- G. The goods and services must provide or direct an exclusive benefit to the participant.

- H. The goods and services provided are cost-effective (i.e., the service is available from any source, is least costly to the State, and reasonably meets the identified need) alternatives to standard waiver or State Plan services.
- I. The goods and services may not circumvent other restrictions on the claiming of FFP for waiver services, including the prohibition of claiming for the costs of room and board;
- J. Individual Directed Goods and Services do not include services, goods, or items:
 - 1. provided to or benefiting persons other than the member;
 - 2. otherwise covered by the waiver or the Medicaid State Plan Services;
 - 3. additional units or costs beyond the maximum allowable for any waiver service or Medicaid State Plan, with the exception of a second wheelchair;
 - 4. co-payment for medical services, over-the-counter medications, or homeopathic services;
 - 5. items used solely for entertainment or recreational purposes, such as televisions, video recorders, game stations, DVD player, and monthly cable fees;
 - 6. monthly telephone fees;
 - 7. room & board, including deposits, rent, and mortgage expenses and payments;
 - 8. food;
 - 9. utility charges;
 - 10. fees associated with telecommunications;
 - 11. tobacco products, alcohol, or illegal drugs;
 - 12. vacation expenses;
 - 13. insurance; vehicle maintenance or any other transportation- related expenses;
 - 14. tickets and related cost to attend recreational events;
 - 15. personal trainers; spa treatments;
 - 16. goods or services with costs that significantly exceed community norms for the same or similar good or service;
 - 17. tuition; educational services otherwise available through a program funded under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), including private tuition, Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) in schools, school supplies, tutors, and home schooling activities and supplies;
 - 18. incentive payments and subsidies;
 - 19. subscriptions;
 - 20. training provided to paid caregivers;
 - 21. services in hospitals;
 - 22. costs of travel, meals, and overnight lodging for families and natural support network members to attend a training event or conference; or
 - 23. service animals and associated costs.
- K. Reimbursement shall be reasonable, customary, and necessary, as determined for the participant's needs and approved by DDA or its designee.
- L. Individual Directed Goods and Services are limited to waiver participants who are self-directing their budget.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Individual Directed Goods and Services are limited to \$2,000 per year from the total self-directed budget.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies)

☒ Participant Directed as specified in Appendix E
☐ Provider Managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check all that applies):

☐ Legally Responsible Person
☐ Relative
☐ Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications: (Instructions list the following for each type of provider that can deliver the services):

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Individual	Entity – for people self-directing services

Provider Specifications for Services

Provider Category: Individual

Provider Type: Entity for people self-directing services

Provider Qualifications License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

- Fiscal Management Services (FMS)

Frequency of Verification:

- Prior to purchase